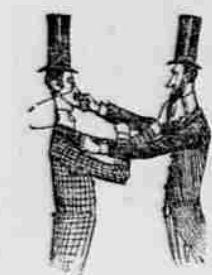


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IS right reached for Bonyne's left eye and got there. Thus began a battle which has created more excitement than any "mill" of modern times. The principals were not pugilists. The contest was not pre-arranged. It took place, not in a twenty-four foot ring, but in the private parlor of a great bank. It ended indecisively owing to the interference of outsiders, but the popular impression is that Mackay would have won had the affair continued to a finish.

The trouble had its origin in London, waxed there in New York and culminated with a flourish at San Francisco. All the world has heard of John W. Mackay, who as a miner in Nevada and California built up a colossal fortune. C. W. Bonyne is less widely and less kindly known. Yet he also is a millionaire, and these two men, who are bitter enemies, have many points of similarity in their careers.

Mackay is an Irishman by birth, while Bonyne is an Englishman. Both went to the Pacific coast and there made their money. Mackay married a widow with a daughter; so did Bonyne. Mackay's family went ahead; so did Bonyne's. Mrs. Mackay's daughter married an Italian prince. Mrs. Bonyne's daughter was engaged to the son of an English earl. Mrs. Mackay took a house at Buckingham gate, London. Mrs. Bonyne took a house at Prince's gate, London. Both entertained lavishly, and they were, in a certain sense, social rivals.

While preparations were being made for Mrs. Bonyne's presentation at court, and for the wedding of her daughter, Miss Daniels, to Viscount Cantelpe, the aristocratic people of the English capital were

deluged with copies of a New York weekly in which appeared a scandalous and cruel "expose" of the family. The article charged that Mrs. Bonyne had been divorced from her first husband, and therefore was not eligible for introduction to the queen. It went even further, and declared that Miss Daniels' father was a malefactor, and had "done time" in a western penitentiary.

A copy of the paper, evidently by intent, reached Earl Delaware, the father of Viscount Cantelpe. The aged nobleman promptly sent his son on a voyage round the world and canceled the engagement. The publication naturally created a huge flutter, especially as it came right on the heels of a printed discussion regarding Mrs. Mackay's origin and antecedents. Next there arrived, also from New York, a book entitled "Mrs. Jonathan Abroad," which purported to give the "facts about the women from America who have gained social distinction in Europe." The notice of Mrs. Mackay is highly laudatory; that of Mrs. Bonyne entirely the reverse.

While all this "inside" family history was being discussed, or to be more accurate, some time previous to the latest developments, the following was printed, evidently by the same hand, in the columns of The Pall Mall Gazette:

So much comment has appeared in the press concerning Mrs. Mackay during the last few weeks that a representative sought the truth

Death Rings Down the Curtain on a Curious Domestic Tragedy.

The recent death of Mrs. Mary Ellen Flack at her home in New York city has revived popular interest in a painful and curious case, for this woman was apparently the victim of a conspiracy and a fraudulent divorce, the conspirators being her own husband and son. The public interest is greatly heightened by the fact that the husband is a prominent politician, and but lately sheriff of New York county.

And yet there is doubt enough about the case to encourage the friends of the ex-sheriff, for Mrs. Flack made a poor witness that her husband and son were convicted on the documentary evidence only. She was 60 years old, and married life was happy, but of late years they had

been estranged, and to her astonishment from Mrs. Mackay herself. Mrs. Mackay, however, absolutely refused, as always, to be interviewed, and handed over our representative to a gentleman whom she described as a tried and trusted friend, whose authority was as good as hers.

"Yes, sir," said the tried and trusted friend in question. "There is not a scintilla of truth in the ridiculous libels circulated in some of the papers that has ever been either a laundry woman, a boarding house keeper, or anything else but a lady of birth and education! The whole story to which you allude is one of the most fantastic fictions which were ever put in circulation by vindictive malice. She was the daughter of a gallant officer in the American army, who fought in the northern ranks during the great civil war. Col. Hungerford was one of the most respectable families in California. He gave her a first class education, which enables Mrs. Mackay, among other things, to converse fluently in French and Spanish, and hold her own in conversation with the best company in London or Paris. She married at the age of 16 a young physician of San Francisco. He died soon after, leaving her an only child, the daughter who is now the Princess Columbia. She was still young when she met Mr. Mackay. The married life was blessed by the birth of two fine boys, the eldest of whom is now a student at Oxford. He is now 10 years of age. A year or two after the birth of her first son the doctors ordered Mrs. Mackay to go to Europe for the sake of her health, and for the last sixteen years she has been one of the most familiar figures in the society of Paris and London.

"She has few expensive tastes. She neither runs a theatre, an opera house or a newspaper. She does not own a yacht, neither does she gamble. If you want to know what she does with her money ask the Catholic church, to whose charities she is a beneficent donor."

"But why, then, in the name of wonder, should she be so maligned?"

"Surely it is the most natural thing in the world. Mrs. Mackay is at the top. Others who

have tried to get to the top and failed cannot be expected to feel amiable."

This extract makes clear the statements which have annoyed Mrs. Mackay, and her version of her past life. According to Mrs. Bonyne is attributed the remark that Hungerford was only a barber, "and a deuced good one, too." It appears that the Bonynges charged the attacks on them to the Mackays, and vice versa. So when the heads of the rival houses met the other day in the president's room of the Nevada bank at San Francisco they wasted no words.

Bonyne was seated in a chair when Mackay entered. The latter "jumped" his enemy at sight, and soon the air was filled with roars, fists, legs, fists and curses. President Hellman hoped about, and in a moment of dismay and horror. He clutched first one combatant and then the other, but his peace-making efforts only brought him bruises, and he desisted on the appearance of the clerks, who finally forced a cessation of hostilities. Then Mr. Mackay went home in one track and Mr. Bonyne in another. The latter has made no public statement regarding the fracas, but from the former the following version of the affair was procured:

It happened in this way. Long ago I suspected that Bonyne was the instigator of certain vile attacks upon Mrs. Mackay, which appeared in certain newspapers in New York and London. Having proof that this was true, I determined to punish him the first time I met him. Yesterday, when I entered the president's room in the Nevada bank, I saw Bonyne sitting at the desk. As I entered Bonyne turned and saw me. He had a malicious look and made a threatening movement. I struck out with my right arm and hit him in the left eye. Then I hit him again, and called upon him to put up his fists and fight like a man. But instead of fighting he fell and clasped me around the knees like a coward. His blood poured all over my trousers and upon the floor. The clerks rushed in and moved him. The sound thrashing he received he well deserved for circulating those stories about Mrs. Mackay. I'm not so handy with my fists as I used to be, but I'll let you know how I feel. I have a little fight left in me yet, and I will allow no man to malign me or mine.

John W. Mackay's history might be termed a romance in real life. He was born in Dublin fifty-seven years ago, and when quite young left Ireland for America. The California gold excitement was at its height, and he pushed on to the Pacific coast. There he met Flood, O'Brien and Fair. These four joined forces, and later on became wealthy and famous as the "Bonanza Kings." It was in the west that Mackay met Bonyne. The latter is now his wife. The subsequent ambitions, achievements and doings of the family are so well known that they need not be recounted here. As for the Mackay-Bonyne quarrel, it may have culminated and closed in the recent fist fight, or it may be that it will continue to rage in some more furious phase. That time alone can decide.

F. X. WHITE.

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